#### LATE ITEMS

## REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012

#### MATTERS REQUIRING PUBLIC NOTICE

## 4b) Debenture Bylaw (File No. CK. 1750-1 and CS.1750-1)

The above-noted matter was incorrectly placed under matters requiring public notice. It should be considered with the Administrative Reports under the Corporate Services Section.

#### REPORT NO. 18-2012 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

2. Appointments to Boards and Committees (Files CK. 225-1 and 175-1)

Sutherland Business Improvement District Board of Management

 Sheldon Wasylenko, Chair, Sutherland Business Improvement District, dated November 6, 2012, advising of reappointed Board of Management members for 2012/2013.

## 3. Needle Exchange Program (File No. CK. 3000-1)

- Trina Leedahl, dated December 5, 2012, submitting comments;
- Judy Walters, dated December 6, 2012, submitting comments;
- Dr. Johnmark Opondo, dated December 6, 2012, requesting to address City Council regarding the role of needle exchange from a Public Health perspective;
- Dr. Peter Butt, dated December 6, 2012, requesting to address City Council regarding the needle exchange interface with Addiction treatment;
- Heather Byrne, AIDS Saskatoon, dated December 7, 2012, requesting to address City Council;
- Marie Gould, Spa Academy, dated December 9, 2012, requesting to address City Council; and
- Randy Pshebylo, Executive Director, Riversdale Business Improvement District, dated December 10, 2012, requesting to address City Council.

#### **SPEAKERS LIST**

(NOT including Presentations, Hearings or Matters Requiring Public Notice (\*) represents late letter)

#### REPORT NO. 18-2012 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 3. Needle Exchange Program (File No. CK. 3000-1)
- \*1. Dr. Johnmark Opondo
- \*2. Dr. Peter Butt
- \*3. Heather Byrne
- \*4. Marie Gould
- \*5. Randy Pshebylo

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS**

- **6. Bruce Frogley** rent subsidy
- 7. **Jack Grover** homelessness
- **8. Kent Smith-Windsor** COS Property Tax Policy submission

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# SUTHERLAND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Sutherland Business Improvement District 1000 Central Avenue, Saskatoon, SK. S7N 2G9 Phone: 306-477-1277 Fax: 306-374-7198



November 6, 2012

Shellie Bryant
City of Saskatoon
222 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue North
Saskatoon, SK S7K 0J5

Re: Sutherland Business Improvement District Board of Management

To: Ms Shellie Bryant,

The Sutherland Business Improvement District held their annual meeting on April 18/12 in which they re-appointed their Board of Management for the 2012/2013 year. Please find the following re-appointed Board of Management members:

City Councillor – Darren Hill
Chair – Sheldon Wasylenko
Vice-Chair – Dale Mathews
Secretary/Treasurer - Kos Kosmas
Director - Kyle Chatterson (Replacing Lorraine Ritchie)
Director - Leo Morrison
Executive Director – Lloyd Moker

If you require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Sheldon Wasylenko, Chair

**Sutherland Business Improvement District** 

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TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM:

Trina Leedahl 1714 Ave. F north Saskatoon Saskatchewan S7L1Y3

**EMAIL ADDRESS:** 

tleedahl@hotmail.com

#### COMMENTS:

I live in Mayfair and appalled at the stuff going on in my neighborhood. We have three and four drug stores, and now know there is a needle exchange on the corner. Have done some research and talking to people in the neighborhood. I do not understand how you can put all these things that help out addicts around a community school, public library and public swimming pool. The situation you have put my children in is VERY UNSAFE. Now a pawn shop, what are you thinking. Would you allow these things in your neighborhood around your children? I do not have a problem with addicts, I have a problem with the way you are supporting them. Allowing them access to drugs and no help after. What if your child was going to the library, an addict just got methadone from the drug store and died right in front of them because they are not monitored. We have noticed alot more people walking at night and my children are scared to play outside. Is that ok for you? Remember what goes around come around. We have had a gentlemen on our street selling drugs. Has gone to jail and is still doing it. The house is not owned by him so he is still there. What am I suppose to do, move because you cant keep my neighborhood safe! I pay tax so you can do that. We are saying HELP!!!

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE SASKATOON

FROM:

Judy Walters 1626 Avenue H, North Saskatoon Saskatchewan S7L 2G1

**EMAIL ADDRESS:** 

newports98@hotmail.com

#### COMMENTS:

To whom it may concern

I'm hearing from my neighbours that you are supporting drug addicts in my neighbourhood. Could you please confirm or deny that you have a needle exchange program in the Aids Saskatoon Building and are in the process of calling that a "mediclinic" without a doctor on staff. I'm also hearing that the needle exchange is a free needle pickup instead of an actual exchange. How can this building be there next to a swimming pool, park, elementary school and public library. I also hear that Aids Saskatoon staff do not monitor activity once people receive their free needles. We are witnessing drug deals in day light! And now the city is accepting applications for pawn shops on 33rd! I want to put a stop to the support you are giving users in our neighborhood, to use without any type of intervention or safety management. There are also three drugs stores within a 6 block radius. block from a school, library, and public swimming pool?

Regards

**Judy Walters** 

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#### FROM:

Dr. Johnmark Opondo 204 - 310 Idylwyld Drive North Saskatoon Saskatchewan S7L 0Z2

#### **EMAIL ADDRESS:**

johnmark.opondo@saskatoonhealthregion.ca

#### COMMENTS:

Dr. Opondo wishes to speak at the City Council Meeting on Monday, December 10, 2012 under Executive Council Reports, Item 3. Needle Exchange Reports.

Thank you.

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#### TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

#### FROM:

Dr. Peter Butt 345 4th Ave. South Saskatoon Saskatchewan S7K 5S5

#### **EMAIL ADDRESS:**

#### peter.butt@usask.ca

#### COMMENTS:

I would like to address, with Dr. Johnmark Opondo, the council's consideration of the Needle Exchange Program. Dr. Opondo will discuss the role of needle exchange from a Public Health perspective while I will address its interface with Addiction treatment. Thank you.

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#### TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

#### FROM:

Heather Byrne 1143 Avenue F north Saskatoon Saskatchewan S7L 1X1

#### **EMAIL ADDRESS:**

hbyrne2@gmail.com

#### COMMENTS:

I wish to speak to city council at the meeting on Monday December 10th regarding needle exchange. Thank you Heather Byrne Interim Executive Coordinator AIDS Saskatoon

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FROM:

Marie Gould 511B - 33rd St. W. Saskatoon Saskatchewan S7L0V7

**EMAIL ADDRESS:** 

marie@spaacademy.ca

**COMMENTS:** 

Re File No. CK. 3000-1 Needle Exchange Program

I wish to appear before City Council on Monday December 10, 2012 and request to speak to Council on the aforementioned report from Executive Committee to City Council.

Marie Gould Spa Academy Saskatoon

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FROM:

Randy Pshebylo 344 20th Street West Saskatoon Saskatchewan S7M 0X2

**EMAIL ADDRESS:** 

randy@riversdale.ca

#### COMMENTS:

Further to the letter which was submitted earlier this morning, from the Riversdale Business Improvement District (RBID). I respectfully request an opportunity to speak tonight at the December 10th, 2012 Saskatoon City Council Meeting regarding report 18-2012, Needle Exchanges, on behalf of the RBID Board of Management. Thank You.

Sincerely, Randy Pshebylo; BDM RBID Executive Director



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December 7th, 2012

His Worship The Mayor and Members of City Council C/O City Clerk's Office, City Hall Saskatoon, SK, S7K 0J5

To His Worship & Council:

Re: B5 Zoning and Needle Exchange Program within the RBID Boundary

On December 7th, 2012 the Riversdale Business Improvement District (RBID) received report number 18-2012 regarding "an overview on the operations and impact of harm reduction strategies, including needle exchange programs, designed to address the issue of reducing the harms related to drug use." While the report makes reference to the RBID's Executive Director attending and presenting a motion passed by the RBID Board of Management to the Executive Committee and states that it has been attached to the package as attachment 7, it was not included in the report that was received. The motion which the report refers to is "To not accept the construction or implementation of a "safe injection site" or other social medical outreach ran by the health region or other agencies, organization, or religious institutions within the RBID's boundary..."

As the RBID Board of Management continues to work with the City of Saskatoon to revitalize the 20th Street Commercial Corridor, they are keenly aware of the complexities surrounding Harm Reduction Strategies, and are sensitive to the community need for sufficient and adequate access to relevant services in the interest of public health and well-being.

Following stakeholder, resident, and customer input in various studies such as the Riversdale and Pleasant Hill LAP's, The Junction Study, Riversdale Business and Revitalization Strategy, Street Activity Baseline Study, City Centre Plan and even going back to the Riversdale West-Central Business Development Strategy of 2001, the area continues to be unfairly saddled with external influences affecting perceptions of what has been described as a special neighbourhood.

While the Board agrees that services being provided to residents from other areas of Saskatoon are welcomed opportunities for community health, the evidence of concentration of some services has left a visible negative effect that has proven difficult to overcome. This unjustly creates challenges for the District with the concentration of services here, and the absence or relative scarcity of programs or services in most other Wards.

As we continue to support and work with our existing local partners in outreach programs and social support providers in the District, we need to address the valid concerns of the area becoming a destination for obtaining services relating to harm reduction, when issues emerge from all areas of the city. Riversdale and Pleasant Hill are challenged with the lion's share of Saskatoon's health issues, yet the neighbourhoods are least able to support the severity of negative effects of concentration of relevant services.

The added request from the RBID regarding inclusion of specific locations where needle exchange locations may be permitted as a use, would be to limit the proximity to one another: separation by distance. The successes of other zoning bylaws that find a common ground are evidence that the solution is in managing concentration to avoid further marginalizing already distressed neighbourhoods. It will also ensure that other neighbourhoods are included with supporting social diversity, and it follows a successful North American trend of finding the best mix of compatible uses in the centre city districts.



We would ask that with respect to the B5C Commercial District in Riversdale, that Council secure the input from the information of The Junction Study, and the Riversdale Business and Revitalization Strategy that is due from Administration early in the New Year prior to voting on this Bylaw change.

Respectfully,

Randy Pshebylo/BDM Executive Director

On behalf of the RBID Board of Management

cc: Dr. Cordell Neudorf; CMHO, Saskatoon Health Region Suzanne Mahaffey, MSc. Population and Public Health Riversdale Community Association - Board Pleasant Hill Community Association - Board

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